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OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

AND

Public Health Inspector

FOR THE YEAR

1956

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NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1956.

To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District Council :

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the Health of the District for the year 1956.

The vital statistics for the district are very similar to those for England and Wales and do not call for any special comment.

Environmental hygiene continues to be the major concern and here progress was slow. A sewerage and sewage disposal scheme for Appleton Wiske was submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government during the year. Several details regarding the scheme are still not settled and it is unlikely that a start can be made during 1957. Meanwhile the danger to public health continues to grow. The time that elapses between the preparation of a sewerage and sewage disposal scheme and the completion makes it essential that the Council should press on with schemes for other villages particularly for Ainderby and Morton-on-Swale.

Progress in dealing with unfit property was also at a slow rate. Only 3 houses were demolished, closed or converted to other use during the year.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation to the Members and Officials of the Council for the help and support I have received from them during the year.

I am,

Your obedient, servant,

JOHN L. COTTON,
Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

(*a*) General Statistics.

Area (in acres)	63,512
Population (Registrar-General's Estimate of Resident Population in mid-year 1956)	8,580
Population (1931 census)	7,683
Population (1951 census)	8,484
Net increase of Resident Population (mid 1955—mid 1956)	60
Number of inhabited houses (1951)	2,458
Number of inhabited houses (1956)	2,828
Rateable value of district (April, 1957)	£74,869
Estimated product of 1d. Rate (March, 1957) ..	£322

(*b*) Vital Statistics.

	Males	Females	Total		Rates/1000 Home population	
					Local	England & Wales
1. **Births**						
Live Births : Legitimate	68	62	130			
Illegitimate	4	1	5	135	15·8	15·6
Stillbirths : Legitimate	1	2	3			
Illegitimate	0	0	0	3	21·7*	23·0*
2. **Deaths**						
All causes	53	40	93		10·8	11·7
Maternal causes ..	—	0	0		0*	0·56*
Enteritis & diarrhoea (under 2 years) ..	0	0	0		0	0
3. **Infantile Deaths** (deaths of infants under 1 year)						
All infants	1	1	2		14·8 (rate per 1000 live births)	23·8
Legitimate infants ..	1	1	2		15·4 (rate per 1000 legitimate births)	—
Illegitimate infants ..	0	0	0		0 (rate per 1000 illegitimate births)	—

* Rates per 1,000 total (live and still) births.

Deaths from measles .. .. 0 (all ages)

Deaths from whooping cough .. 0 (all ages)

CLASSIFIED CAUSES OF DEATH.

Causes of Death	Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis	0	0	0
Other infectious and parasitic diseases ..	4	2	6
Malignant disease	4	6	10
Cardio-vascular	32	25	57
Pneumonia	0	2	2
Other respiratory diseases	0	0	0
Digestive diseases	2	0	2
Congenital malformations	1	2	3
Other diseases	4	3	7
Motor vehicle accidents	5	0	5
Other accidents	0	0	0
Suicide	1	0	1
TOTAL DEATHS (ALL CAUSES) ..	53	40	93

POPULATION TREND.

	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949
Population (Mid-year) ..	8,580	8,520	8,510	8,484	8,402	8,417	8,350	8,238
Birth rate ..	15·8	16·4	14·8	15·5	17·2	15·7	15·0	18·1
Death rate ..	10·8	11·5	12·2	10·5	10·7	10·8	11·5	11·0

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

It was not necessary to take action under Section 47 of the above Act which gives the Council power to remove to suitable premises. persons who are not able to devote to themselves and are not receiving from other persons, adequate care and attention.

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE IN THE AREA.

The details of the staff are given at the beginning of the report.

Laboratories Facilities.

Laboratory facilities are provided at the Public Health Laboratory, The Friarage Hospital, Northallerton.

Ambulances Facilities.

The North Riding of Yorkshire County Council supply ambulan services from their station in East Road, Northallerton.

Hospital Facilities.

Local Hospital accommodation is provided in the area by the Northallerton Hospital Management Committee of the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board.

In addition a considerable number of residents in the area are treated in Darlington and Middlesbrough hospitals.

Nursing in the Homes.

The Home Nursing and Domiciliary Midwifery Service is under the general direction of the County Council with day to day administration dealt with by the Wensleydale Area Local Health Sub-Committee through the Area Medical Officer. The staff operating in the Northallerton Rural District comprises five District Nurse/Midwives and one health visitor.

Domestic Help Service.

This is provided by the County Council, the day to day administration again being dealt with by the Area Sub-Committee through the Area Medical Officer. A whole-time equivalent of 1·6 homehelps was employed in the area and a total of 3,577 hours was worked during the year assisting a total of 11 households.

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Water Supplies.

Progress continued throughout the year in connecting properties to the Council's mains, though naturally at a much slower rate than formally. A table showing this progress is to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

The only progress made during the year was the submission of a scheme for Appleton Wiske to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. There seems no chance of a start being made during 1957 on this scheme. In view of the long delays experienced between the submission of a scheme to the Ministry and the completion thereof, it would be advisable for the Council to press on with other schemes particularly for Ainderby and Morton-on-Swale.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The present tip is rapidly filling up and will soon be inadequate. An alternative site is required.

SECTION D.

Housing.

39 houses were completed by the Council during the year but unfortunately for the slum clearance programme, no houses are planned for 1957. Of the unfit houses in the district, 3 were either demolished, closed or converted to uses other than housing.

SECTION E.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

The Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955, became effective on January 1st, 1956. The majority of the food premises in the district were inspected during the year and as a result 13 informal notices were served. Most of these have been complied with.

Other details are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Infectious diseases notified	Males	Females	Total
Whooping cough	6	2	8
Measles	1	6	7
Dysentry	0	1	1
Pneumonia	0	1	1

Diphtheria Immunisation.

The following figures indicate the immunisation state of the child population in the area of the Wensleydale Local Health Sub-Committee in which the Northallerton Rural District is included.

Age Group	Immunised
0–4 years	50%
5–14 years	92%

The percentage immunised in the pre-school group could be raised with advantage and every effort must be made to increase the number of children immunised in this group. Ideally this should be done in the first year of life and parents are strongly urged to have this done either by their own doctor or at the local child welfare clinic.

Smallpox Vaccination.

38% of the children born during the year have been vaccinated against smallpox (28% in 1955).

Although the rate of smallpox vaccination has again improved, the percentage is still too low. Reactions to vaccination are minimal in the first few months of life and parents are asked to consult their own doctor about having their children vaccinated when about two or three months old.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

During the early part of the year, the parents of children born between 1947 and 1954 (inclusive) were invited to register their children for vaccination against poliomyelitis. In this area an extremely good response was obtained and for the Northallerton Rural and the Northallerton Urban Districts together approximately 1,200 children were registered out of an estimated total of 2,000 who were eligible for vaccination. This gives a 60% response compared with less than 30% for the country as a whole. 136 children in the combined area received a complete course of vaccination during the year. This low figure was due to the small amount of vaccine available.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Group	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 1 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1–4 ..	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5–14 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15–24 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25–34 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35–44 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45–54 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55–64 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 plus ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals ..	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

There were 24 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and no cases of non-pulmonary tuberculosis on the register as at the 31st December, 1956. This gives a rate of 2·80 cases of tuberculosis per 1,000 population as compared with 2·82 in 1955.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
for the year 1956.

To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District Council.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report for the year ended 1956.

General Sanitary Work.

520 inspections and 418 Reinspections of premises were made unde r the Public Health and Housing Acts. 288 Informal Notices were served upon the owner/occupier of premises in respect of nuisances occurring thereon. The total number of nuisances abated was 280.

4 Statutory Notices were served.

Analysis of Inspections, 1956.

Under Public Health and Housing Acts	520
Inspection of Council Houses	199
Interview with Owners and Builders	287
Tents, Vans and Sheds	10
Verminous Premises	2
Total Inspection of Housing Conditions	1,018
Private Slaughterhouses	451
Bakehouses	4
Milk Retailers	8
Ice Cream Sellers	17
Fried Fish Shops	2
Food Preparing Rooms	6
Food Premises	50
Total Inspections with regard to Food	538
Investigations of Complaints	390
Drain Tests	91
Rat Inspections	645
Factories and Workshops	16
Water Supplies	612
Water Samples (Bact.)	6
,, (Chem.)	0
Rivers and Streams	21
Building Construction Inspections	321
Sewage Works Inspections	42
Refuse Tip Inspections	27
Total of other Inspections	2,171
Grand total of Inspections	3,727

Summary of Sanitary Improvements, 1956.

Repairs to Roofs	27
,, ,, Wall, Pointing, etc.	19
,, ,, Fallpipes and Eaves gutters	21
,, ,, Chimneys, Firegrates and Ovens	39
,, ,, Windows and Doors	27
,, ,, Floors	10
,, ,, Staircases	7
,, ,, Yard Surfaces	19
,, ,, and improvements to House Drains	46
,, ,, Coalhouses and Wash houses	6
Damp conditions remedied	30
Dirty and verminous houses cleaned	2

Water Supplies.

Insufficient supplies improved	14
Burst pipes and taps repaired	46
Internal supplies provided	102
Pumps repaired	0
Wells cleaned	0

Sanitary Conveniences.

W.C's and Yard Gullies cleansed	22
Pan Closets and Ashpits abolished	80
New Water Closets provided	50
Dust Bins provided and renewed	62
Setpots provided	0

Drainage.

Obstructed drains and sewers cleared	152
New sinks provided	29
Systems improved	31
Cesspools and Septic Tanks emptied	35
Water Courses Cleaned	12
New Septic Tank with Filter	21

Shops.

Walls, Floors, Ceiling and Windows Cleansed, Repaired and Decorated	12
New Sinks provided, Old Curtains removed—Cleansed	15

Food Premises.

New Food Preparation Apparatus	10
Walls, Floors, Ceiling, Cleansed and Decorated	11
Clean Towels provided	6
Hot Water	17

Factories.

W.C.'s Repaired	2
Walls, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments Repaired Cleansed and Painted	1
Walls, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments Cleansed only	2
New Lighting (to closets)	2

General.

Nuisances caused by keeping Animals abated	1
TOTAL ..	988

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

Part 1 of the Act.

1. Inspections for purposes of provision as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number on Register (3)	Number of Inspections (4)	Number of Written notices (5)	Number of Occupiers prosecuted (6)	M/c line No. (7)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	2	28	16	3	Nil	2
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises ..	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3
Total ..		28	16	3	Nil	

2. Cases in which defects were found.

(if defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more " cases ").

Particulars	M/c line No.	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted	M/c line No.
		Found	Remedied	Referred			
				To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Want of cleanliness (S. 1.) ..	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4
Overcrowding (S. 2.)	5	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	5
Unreasonable temperature (S. 3.) ..	6	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	6
Inadequate ventilation (S. 4.) ..	7	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7
Ineffctive drainage of floors (S. 6.) ..	8	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	8
Sanitary Conveniences (S. 7.)							
(*a*) insufficient	9	2	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	9
(*b*) Unsuitable or defective ..	10	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	10
(*c*) Not separate for sexes ..	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	11
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	12	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	12
Total ..		3	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	

Factories with Power.

Year 1956.

Ainderby Steeple	1
Borrowby	2
Brompton	6
East Cowton	1
East Harlsey	1
Osmotherley	6
Romanby	10
Great Smeaton	1
	28

Trades.

Builders	8
Linen Manufacturers	1
Bakers	2
Motor Repair Shops	11
Blacksmiths	5
Milk and Milk Products Manufacturers ..	1
Cold Stores	1
Sawmills	1
Millers	2
Sand and Gravel	1
Saddlers	1
Joiners	9
	43

Housing and New Buildings.

321 visits were made to or in respect of new buildings and building under construction.

The table below gives details of houses under construction and completed since 1946 in their respective Parishes :—

By Private Enterprise.

Parish	Completed 1945 to December, 1956	Completed during 1956	Under Construction at end of 1956
Ainderby Steeple ..	1	1	1
Birkby	3	–	–
Brompton	19	3	3
Borrowby	–	1	–
Cotcliffe	2	–	1
Deighton	2	1	–
Ellerbeck	1	–	1
East Harlsey	2	–	–
East Cowton	2	–	1
Hornby	1	–	1
Hutton Bonville	5	–	–
Great Langton	3	–	–
Great Smeaton	3	–	1
Kirby Sigston	1	1	–
Lazenby	2	–	–
Osmotherley	7	2	3
Over Silton	1	–	–
Nether Silton	1	–	–
Morton-on-Swale ..	5	–	–
Romanby	88	4	5
Thornton-le-Beans ..	1	–	–
Thrintoft	2	–	–
Warlaby	1	–	–
Welbury	3	2	–
West Harlsey	2	–	–
West Rounton	1	1	–
Whitwell	2	–	–
Streetlam	–	–	1
	161	16	18

By Northallerton Rural district Council.

Parish	Completed 1945 to December, 1956	Completed during 1956	Under Construction at end of 1956
Ainderby Steeple ..	4	–	–
Appleton Wiske	16	–	–
Borrowby	7	–	–
Brompton	74	–	–
Danby Wiske	2	–	–
Deighton	2	–	–
East Cowton	4	–	–
Great Langton	2	–	–
Great Smeaton	4	–	–
Hornby	2	–	–
Kirby Sigston	2	–	–
Nether Silton	2	–	–
Osmotherley	14	–	–
Ellerbeck	4	–	–
Romanby	122	39	–
Thornton-le-Beans ..	2	–	–
Yafforth	4	–	–
Welbury	2	–	–
Thrintoft	4	–	–
	273	39	–

PLANS ANALYSIS.

PLANS. 90 Plans were considered during the year. Details are shown in the table

Parish	Layout	New Buildings	Alterations to Dwellings	Garages Sheds and Greenhouses	Cowsheds & Dairies	Other Agricultural Buildings	Wash-houses coal-houses & W.C's	Total
Ainderby Steeple ..	–	1	1	–	–	–	–	2
Birkby ..	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
Brompton ..	–	6	5	5	–	–	–	16
Borrowby ..	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	2
Over Silton ..	–	–	–	1	–	1	–	2
Nether Silton ..	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	2
Danby Wiske ..	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	2
Ellerbeck ..	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
Harlsey East ..	–	–	3	–	–	–	–	3
Hornby ..	–	1	2	–	–	–	–	3
Hutton Bonville ..	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1
Deighton ..	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
Kirby Sigston ..	–	–	1	–	–	1	1	2
Great Langton ..	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	1
Little Langton ..	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
Morton-on-Swale ..	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	2
Osmotherley ..	–	4	2	2	–	–	–	8
Romanby ..	1	7	2	14	–	–	–	24
Rounton ..	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	1
Great Smeaton ..	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	1
Little Smeaton ..	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
Sowerby-u-Cotcliffe ..	–	1	–	1	–	–	–	2
Welbury ..	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	1
Streetlam ..	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	1
Whitwell ..	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	2
South Cowton ..	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	1
Thornton-le-Beans ..	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	1
Warlaby ..	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	2
Yafforth ..	–	–	2	1	–	–	–	3
TOTAL ..	1	23	31	26	3	3	2	90

Houses in Clearance Areas and Unfit Houses elsewhere.

A. Houses Demolished.

	Houses Demolished		Displaced during year	
	Unfit	Others	Persons	Families
In Clearance Areas (Housing Act, 1936, and Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954)				
(1) Land coloured pink and pink hatched yellow ..	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(2) Land coloured grey ..		Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in Clearance Areas				
(3) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 11, Housing Act, 1936 ..	Nil		Nil	Nil

B. Unfit Houses Closed.

	Unfit Houses closed	Displaced during year	
	Number	Persons	Families
(4) Under Section 11, Housing Act, 1936 and Sections 10 (1) and 11 (2), Local Government (Misc. Prov.) Act, 1953	1	3	1
(5) Under Sections 3 (1) and 3 (2), Housing Act, 1939	2	4	2
(6) Parts of buildings closed under Section 12 Housing Act, 1936	Nil	Nil	Nil

C. Unfit Houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied.

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(7) After informal action by local authority ..	44	
(8) After formal notice under		
(*a*) Public Health Acts ..	Nil	Nil
(*b*) Housing Act, 1936 ..	Nil	Nil
(9) Under Section 5, Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954	Nil	

D. Unfit Houses in Temporary use (Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954).

	Number of Houses (1)	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
Position at end of year		
(10) Retained for temporary accommodation		
(*a*) under Section 2	Nil	Nil
(*b*) under Section 3	Nil	Nil
(*c*) under Section 4	Nil	Nil
(11) Licences for temporary occupation under Section 6	Nil	

E. Purchase of Houses by Agreement.

	Number of Houses (1)	Number of occupants of houses in column (1) (2)
(12) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year	Nil	Nil

Housing Act, 1949, Improvement Grants.

The Council implement the Provisions of the above Act whereby financial assistance can be made out of Public Funds to owners of dwelling houses effecting suitable defined improvements.

During the year 31 applications were approved amounting to a total monetary value of £6,347. Threequarters of the money is made available by the Treasury and the remaining quarter out of the local Rate Fund.

Streams and Watercourses.

Streams have been cleansed at Thrintoft, Morton-on-Swale, Appleton Wiske.

Rodent Control.

During the year the Council withdrew from the arrangement of sharing a Rodent Operator with the Northallerton Urban District Council and appointed a part-time operator of their own.

During the latter part of the year a large number of farm properties in the area were surveyed.

Dwelling houses are treated as a free service but a charge is made for treatment executed on farms and business premises.

The following Table gives particulars of the work carried out during the year :—

	Infestations		No. of Inspections made	No. of Properties inspected
	Major	Minor		
Local Authorities Premises ..	5	2	31	—
Business Premises	4	4	61	45
Private Premises	—	36	150	42
Agricultural Property	9	—	40	13
Survey	71	78	363	351
	89	120	645	451

All the Council's principle drainage systems were treated for rats during the year.

Water Supplies.

A comprehensive piped water system of approximately 90 miles of water mains covers the whole area.

During the year the following new supplies were installed :—

Rateable Value .. 54

Metered Supplies .. 48

The following Table shows particulars of houses with piped water and the estimated population involved :—

Parish	Houses			Houses		Population	
	Rate-able Value	Meters	Metered Troughs	Direct Piped	Stand Pipe	Direct Piped	Stand Pipe
Ainderby Steeple ..	60	10	2	70	–	201	–
Appleton Wiske ..	70	20	3	93	–	263	–
Birkby ..	1	8	1	9	–	27	–
Borrowby ..	73	21	3	94	–	274	–
Brompton ..	498	2	–	500	–	1,340	–
Cotliffe ..	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Crosby ..	–	3	–	3	–	15	–
Cowton East ..	51	20	4	77	4	209	–
Cowton South ..	5	8	2	13	–	36	–
Danby Wiske ..	36	26	5	62	–	181	–
Deighton ..	11	13	3	24	–	72	–
Ellerbeck ..	6	7	1	13	–	39	–
Harlsey East ..	42	16	6	58	–	128	–
Harlsey West ..	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Hornby ..	26	12	2	38	–	113	–
Hutton Bonville ..	4	9	3	13	–	39	–
Kiplin ..	2	2	1	4	–	11	–
Kirby Sigston ..	1	3	–	4	–	12	–
Langton Great ..	19	4	4	23	1	60	4
Langton Little ...	7	3	2	10	–	36	–
Landmoth ..	–	3	–	3	–	12	–
Lazenby ..	5	3	2	8	–	24	–
Leake ..	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Morton-on-Swale ..	37	9	2	48	–	134	–
Otterington North ..	2	–	1	2	–	–	–
Osmotherley ..	246	6	5	252	4	512	10
Romanby ..	510	6	1	516	–	1,382	–
Rounton West ..	26	12	1	38	1	139	10
Smeaton Great ..	37	6	1	41	–	138	–
Smeaton Little ..	2	9	4	11	–	33	–
Silton Nether ..	30	2	1	32	8	72	20
Silton Over ..	7	1	1	7	–	21	–
Sowerby-under-Cotcliffe	2	5	1	7	–	21	–
Thrintoft ..	23	8	3	31	–	93	–
Thimbleby ..	1	4	–	5	–	15	–
Thornton-le-Beans ..	21	14	7	35	–	102	–
Warlaby ..	5	5	5	10	–	30	–
Welbury ..	32	12	6	44	–	122	–
Whitwell ..	2	1	1	3	–	9	–
Winton ..	2	9	2	11	–	33	–
Yafforth ..	21	8	2	29	–	87	–
	1,923	310	88	2,241	18	6,035	44

6 samples of water were taken during the year. 5 were satisfactory and 1 unsatisfactory.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The Council continue to operate two Karrier refuse collection vehicles. There are times, due to the new houses now erected, that extreme difficulty is experienced in maintaining an adequate service with the existing appliances and staff. The Council will need to give consideration to the re-organisation of this service.

Although the refuse tip at Yafforth Road was re-shaped during the year tipping space is becoming limited and the Council will, in the near future, need to acquire an alternative site.

The following Tables give details of the service during the year :—

Refuse Collections.

KARRIER C.K. 3 (D.P.Y. 293) (3 MAN CREW).

Parish	Emptied			
	Bins	Pans	Ashpits	
Ainderby Steeple ..	1,440	1,440	72	
Borrowby ..	900	1,620	—	
Brompton ..	5,200	7,320	396	Total hours worked by crew 6,678
Danby Wiske ..	696	980	28	
Great Langton ..	1,080	820	—	
Little Danby ..	264	—	—	Total number of loads 644
Morton-on-Swale ..	1,440	1,440	80	
Romanby ..	21,780	208	32	
Thornton-le-Beans ..	172	384	40	Total Mileage 6,640
Thrintoft ..	240	200	40	
Yafforth ..	480	480	—	
	33,692	14,892	688	

KARRIER C.K. 3 (H.P.Y. 445) (3 MAN CREW).

Parish	Emptied			
	Bins	Pans	Ashpits	
Ainderby Steeple ..	—	—	100	
Appleton Wiske ..	1,064	740	16	
Brompton ..	7,068	164	—	
Borrowby ..	—	—	176	
Deighton ..	264	160	—	
East Harlsey ..	860	704	40	Total hours worked by crew 6,808
East Cowton ..	648	712	192	
Hornby ..	156	192	36	
Hutton Bonville ..	120	40	56	
Morton-on-Swale ..	—	—	—	Total number of loads 560
Osmotherley ..	3,960	132	36	
Romanby ..	15,560	276	—	
Smeaton Great ..	652	160	104	
Silton Nether ..	520	516	28	Total Mileage 8,816
Silton Over ..	296	32	48	
Thornton-le-Beans ..	—	—	58	
Welbury ..	532	484	36	
West Rounton ..	236	220	56	
	31,936	4,532	982	

Food Premises.

The following is a list of food premises in the District :—

General Provisions	30
Confectioners	4
Butchers	7
Bakers	2
Greengrocers	1
Cafes	3
Fried Fish Shops	3
Dried Milk Factory	1
Cold Store	1
	52

Premises registered for the sale of ice cream :—

General Provision	11
Confectioners	4
Cafes	2
	17

There are no ice cream manufacturers in the area.

Food Hygiene Regulations

Leaflets explaining the Food Hygiene Regulations were distributed to all food Premises.

87 inspections were carried out on the above premises. The conditions generally were found to be good. 13 informal notices were served, mostly for the provision of a hot water supply. The majority of these notices have been complied with.

Licenced Premises. Total 28.

Following joint consultations between the Licensing Justices and the Local Authority the majority of the Licenced Premises have now been brought up to the necessary standard.

Meat Inspections.

Five privately owned slaughterhouses are leased to the Council on a 5 year lease, the occupiers being the Managers thereof. Scales of Charges for the use of the Slaughterhouses and services provided therein have been fixed by the Council and full control is exercised by the Local Authority.

The slaughterhouses are situate at :—

Brompton
Danby Wiske
Morton-on-Swale
Great Smeaton
West Rounton

During the year 1956 the following animals were killed in the five slaughterhouses, and this also includes casualty animals inspected on farms. 451 inspections were carried out.

462 beasts. 459 pigs. 873 sheep. 11 calves.

Meat Condemned.

17 cwts. 1st., this includes 18 lambs suffocated at one farm.

Tuberculosis was found in 5 beasts representing 1·1% of total inspected
and ,, ,, 5 pigs ,, ,, ,,

68 tins of food were condemned, mostly at the Cold Store, Romanby, a total weight of 30st 7lbs.

The condemned meat is stained and removed to the local Knackers Yard for rendering and the recovery of non-edible fats.

Drainage and Sewerage.

The Council possess a small portable cesspool emptying appliance and during the year settling tanks were cleaned out in all the villages.

Private septic tanks are also cleaned out on application, the cost of which service is recovered.

The following table shows details of new sewers laid during 1956.

Parish	Lin. Yards	Diam.
Romanby	310	6″
Romanby	153	4″
	463	

Closet Conversions

During the year, the following new water closets were provided by way of conversions.

Parish	No.
Borrowby	6
Osmotherley	6
Romanby	6
Appleton Wiske	4
Morton-on-Swale	2
Nether Silton	1
Yafforth	1
Kirby Sigston	1
Warlaby	3
Ainderby Steeple	2
Whitwell	1
Deighton	2
Ellerbeck	2
Hutton Bonville	2
Hornby	3
Streetlam	1
Brompton	37
	80

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There is none within the Rural Area.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation of the support which is given to me by members of the Council and my fellow Officials.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. TEMPLEMAN.

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